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## **ELECTION AND REMARKS**

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that the Applicants must elect a single embodiment/species for prosecution. The Examiner identified the following Groups/embodiments/species:

- I. Claims 1-16 drawn to a mold, classified in class 425, subclass 116;
- II. Claims 17-27 drawn to a golf ball, classified in class 473, subclass 116;

The Examiner further indicated that claims 1 and 17 are currently deemed generic.

For continuing the prosecution on the merits, Applicants elect Group II, claims 17-27, drawn to golf ball.

Consequently, claims 1-16 have been cancelled from consideration on the patentability of the generic subject matter. However, Applicants reserve the right to file one or more continuing and/or divisional applications directed to any subject matter not claimed in the current application.

## Conclusion

Based on the remarks set forth above, Applicants believe that the claims of the subject application are acceptable for consideration on the merits. Should the Examiner have any further concerns or believe that a discussion with Applicants' agent would further the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the agent at the number below.

No fee is believed to be due for this submission. However, if a fee is required, please charge the required fee to Acushnet Company Deposit Account No. 502309.

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